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1. The absence of Prime Minister Petru Groza has drawn much attention in Rumania. His name has not been mentioned in official communications for some time. For example, on 6 March 1951, when the anniversary of the Communist Government was celebrated, Groza's name was not even mentioned by the newspapers, and his picture did not appear in them. Since the beginning of February 1951 there have been rumors that Groza would be replaced by the President of the National Assembly Mihail Sadoveanu.
2. The absence of Iosif Chisinevski a member of the Central Committee of the Rumanian Workers Party has also been noticed. Chisinevski was considered to be the principal rival of Ana Pauker and Gheorghe Gheorghiu Dej, the Secretary General of the Rumanian Workers Party. The last of Chisinevski's friends to be removed from his post was Petru Borila, the Minister of Reconstruction.
3. Construction of the Comanesti electric power station (which will be operated with fuel) and the Iarnesti hydroelectric power station will commence this year. Electrification of the railroad lines Irad-Timisovara, Bacau-Comanesti, and the railroads in the areas of Stalin (Brasov), Cluj, Bucharest, Sibiu and Prahova, will also be started this year. Members of the Youth Association will be employed on a large scale, ostensibly as volunteers and without pay, on these projects.

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